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Hello!

Welcome to the Summer edition of our Hospice Newsletter.

The start to Spring has been more challenging than most in light of recent events. We had to make the difficult decision to postpone some of our key fundraising events including our annual Hospice Walk, Go Green Campaign and the Women of Rochdale Luncheon. We have also been balancing the provision of vital care for our patients alongside the challenges faced by our clinical teams as a result of the Coronavirus outbreak.

There's so much going on that it has been difficult to know where to start, so perhaps the best place is with a huge thank you to everyone who has made, and continues to make, what we do here at Springhill Hospice possible. Whether you are a Springhill supporter or one of our fantastic volunteers, your generosity and kindness ensures that care at Springhill goes from strength to strength.

One thing that has become apparent to me over the last few weeks is that Springhill's staff, volunteers and supporters are overwhelmingly passionate about our Hospice. Resilience and determination is shining through with each day we tackle, and I have never been more proud of what we, as a local community, achieve.

We can never include everything we want in our Newsletters – there aren't enough pages to update you on the breadth and development of care we provide across the borough, or to celebrate the wacky and wonderful things you, as a local community, have done to support Springhill. What I can say is that the continued excellent care we provide, both at Springhill and out in the community, is only possible because of your support.

I hope that you enjoy reading our latest Newsletter, that it spreads a little joy at this difficult time, and perhaps gives you some food for thought about how you can continue your support for Springhill over the coming weeks, months and years.

Julie Halliwell

Chief Executive

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Annual Go Green Fundraising moves to the Autumn/Winter



Go Green will be back later this year, meaning you still have chance to have fun and support Springhill.

Our annual May time celebration of all things green is one of many fundraising events to be postponed because of the Coronavirus pandemic. We are looking forward to relaunching a great new festive Go Green celebration in time for Christmas.

We'd like to say a huge 'thank you' to all our wonderful supporters who were getting ready to theme it green with a whole array of cakes,

costumes and even cocktails. When Go Green returns there will be lots of inspiring ideas about how you can get involved – whether we are still socially distancing or able to get back together.

Make sure you don't miss out on all of the fun that Go Green brings! To make sure you receive all the latest Go Green information please register now by visiting www.springhill.org.uk/go-green



Your spare change will make a BIG difference

Every penny counts when it comes to our patients' care and you can help with our Spare Change Challenge. It couldn't be easier to take part!

1. Find an empty jar, box or bowl and you're ready to go. Alternatively you can contact the Fundraising Team to request your very own spare change collecting box.
2. Empty your purses, pockets and piggy banks of spare pennies and pop them in. All your small change will soon start to mount up. Don't forget to look down the back of the sofa!
3. Keep saving over the coming weeks and you will have a colourful collection of coins to contribute to supporting Hospice care.
4. Contact the Fundraising Team using the details below to donate your spare change to the Hospice.

For more information about Go Green, our Spare Change Challenge or other ways you can get involved contact the Fundraising Team on **01706 641790** or email fundraising@springhill.org.uk



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Group efforts bring BIG rewards

We are incredibly lucky to have the support of our local communities. These wonderful groups of volunteers are always ready and willing to give their time and energy to raising vital funds for Hospice care.



Above: Ladies from the Friends of Springhill Hospice at Home fundraising group at their recent luncheon hosted by the Royal Toby in Castleton which raised a brilliant £853.20.

■ **The small group of hard working fundraising volunteers from The Friends of Springhill Hospice at Home have raised, on average, £10,000 each year since they were officially formed eight years ago.** With bucket collections being one of their specialties, Rita Bradshaw, the group's Chair, is always looking for new locations and this amazing group is always willing to take its turn at the checkout, buckets in hand. Special social events during the year are a great way to get together, all whilst supporting Springhill, with their next Afternoon Tea planned for 11th August*. New volunteers are always welcome – you only need an hour or two to spare on the odd day to make a big difference. Rita would be delighted to have a chat with anybody who might be able to offer their time and support.

*Date may be subject to change based on Government guidance in response to Coronavirus.

■ **Springhill Crafts is a group of wonderfully talented volunteer crafters who use their skills to raise money for the Hospice.** They have been supporting the Hospice since it opened and over the years have contributed many thousands of pounds to help provide vital equipment for the Hospice In-Patient Unit. Katherine Iles, a regular volunteer at the Hospice, has recently taken over as group co-ordinator and a new sales outlet at the Hospice is now open in the main reception area. The supply of home knits and special handmade gifts and cards continues with hand-crafted gifts for special occasions. Watch out for additional outlets at our retail shops later in the year. You too can share your support for Springhill, Katherine would be happy to hear from you.

Below: Baby knits and blankets, wheat bags, twiddle mitts and knitted dolls – just some of the popular handmade crafts that have raised thousands for Hospice care.



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■ **There is nothing quite like Carols on Christmas Eve and in Wardle Village it is a much loved part of the festive calendar.** Carol Singing in the village square has been organised by Springhill's Wardle Support Group for 38 years and in December 2019 it raised £1,125, the highest amount ever. Wardle Support Group was formed in 1983 to help fundraise to build the Hospice which opened six years later. In their first year the Carols raised £66. We would like to thank all the residents, businesses and visitors for their amazing support over the years with a special mention to Wardle Academy Band who have given their time every year to provide the special music and atmosphere. Our thanks also to Lynda and Mike Redfern, local residents who helped to set up the group all those years ago and organise the event to this day. The group is always looking for extra bucket collectors to help at the event – put your name down and join in the festivities.

The Williams BMW Rochdale Half Marathon, 10K and Fun Run is back for 2020!

We are delighted that once again Springhill has been chosen as the nominated charity for the event, which has previously raised thousands of pounds for the Hospice.

Currently scheduled for the 4th October, this local event returns for its 6th year, with keen runners from across the borough and beyond taking part, with Springy cheering them on from the side-lines! From seasoned club runners to those running their first ever 10K plus the many children who are taking their first steps to fitness fun.

Thank you to our fantastic Rochdale Runners who together raised over £8,000 by taking on the colours of Springhill Hospice at last year's Williams BMW Rochdale Half/10K/Fun Run. Teams taking part were Sandbrook Park based Foot Asylum, Oulder Hill Community School, Hopwood Hall College and Oulder Hill Leisure Complex together with our inspirational individual runners.

(Below L-R, Foot Asylum, Janice Darnell, Oulder Hill School)



If you are taking part visit www.rochdale.gov.uk/run and then click on the Charity tab to nominate Springhill Hospice as your charity of choice.



Are you ready to take on the challenge of the Yorkshire Three Peaks?

We invite you to test your endurance by taking on the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge in aid of Springhill Hospice.

To complete the challenge you will climb the summits of Pen-y-Ghent, Whernside and Ingleborough, in the beautiful Yorkshire Dales, covering a distance of 24 miles (39km) in 12 hours. No experience or navigation skills are required. You will be part of a walking group of Springhill Hospice supporters, fully supervised from beginning to end, with expert advice from mountain leaders every step of the way, including preparation, equipment and training.

Entry is just £25 and your suggested fundraising target is £100.

To help you train for the event, you can take part in one of the training walks that are provided to help you prepare for the challenge, at no extra cost. You will also receive information about training, building up your fitness and a recommended 'kit list' that will help you achieve the goal of accomplishing the Yorkshire Three Peaks. There will be three guided groups to cater for walkers of different abilities – it's set to be a fantastic challenge!



If you would like to join any of our Support Groups please contact the Fundraising Team on **01706 641790** or email fundraising@springhill.org.uk and we will put you in touch with your local group.

For more information and to sign up visit springhill.org.uk/y3p or call our Fundraising Team for details on **01706 641790**



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Changing the way we provide services to keep people safe

Springhill Hospice is playing a key part in the fight against Coronavirus across the borough of Rochdale. We continue to work day and night, making sure that the most vulnerable people in our local communities continue to receive the very best, compassionate care and support.

Over the last few months, the Springhill Team has worked hard to continue the provision of essential care. Our nurses, doctors and healthcare professionals are working 24 hours a day to make sure that every patient and family receive the very best care, both on the In-Patient Unit at the Hospice and in the local community where we support patients in their own homes.

We have listened carefully to advice from the Government and are closely following their recommendations to reduce the risk of coronavirus transmission, and to protect our vulnerable patients, visitors and our staff and volunteers. As a result, we have had to make some really difficult decisions about some of our services.

We have now suspended a number of services, including those which involve public gatherings of patients, carers, family members and volunteers. This includes our Day Hospice activity, Bereavement Support Groups and Remembrance Services, in addition to the education courses and training sessions we offer.

Whilst we continue to provide the highest standard of care to patients on our In-Patient Unit, we have had to make the difficult decision to close the In-Patient Unit to visitors to help keep our patients and staff safe. We may be able to make exceptions on compassionate grounds in the last days of someone's life and our team are on hand to provide support and advice through these difficult times.

Our Community Service continues to support patients across the borough. The team is keeping in close contact with patients by telephone and video consultation. Our dedicated Hospice at Home Team are on hand to visit patients in their own homes and provide vital care when required.

Our 24 hour advice line is available to provide help and support whenever it is needed for healthcare professionals and patients and their families.

We continue to provide one to one counselling support offering telephone or video consultations where possible.

Whilst our Day Hospice is closed and our Complementary and Art Therapies suspended, we continue to maintain contact with patients on the days they would usually attend, ensuring they are supported during this time.

We've worked hard over the past few months to minimise the number of people who need to visit, or work, at the main Hospice site. As a result, many of our teams are now working from home, staying safe and helping to protect the most vulnerable people in our care. We've also said a temporary goodbye to many of our wonderful volunteers over the past few months to help keep everyone safe. We're keeping in touch with our volunteer teams and we're looking forward to seeing them again in the near future. We've also had to close our charity shops and postpone or cancel a number of our fundraising events and activities.

We understand that these measures may cause significant inconvenience for a number of our service users and supporters. Throughout this process, Springhill's main priority is the safety of our patients and other people potentially susceptible to Coronavirus. Please be assured that we are continuing to work hard throughout this period to ensure that patients still have access to necessary medical and clinical support when it is needed.



Vintage Giving

Turn your old bits and bobs into pounds and pence for Springhill!

Do you have unwanted jewellery, old cameras or pre euro currency? Not sure what to do with it or perhaps you just want to declutter your home ready for the summer?

Here at Springhill we have teamed up with Vintage Giving, a company who will collect your old items and convert them into cash, which is donated to the Hospice. Not only does it give you the chance to have a spring clean, but it also means you're able to donate to vital Hospice services.

We know that not everyone is able to run a marathon for us or come along to every fundraising event we hold, but there are other ways you can help the Hospice, and Vintage Giving is a great new way. It will also help the environment as the items you donate are then upcycled and repurposed giving them a new lease of life, which means less going into landfill.

Items that you can send to raise money include:

- Watches and clocks.
- Jewellery (don't worry if it is tangled or there is a single earring, it will still be accepted).
- Gold and gold plated items.
- Old cameras including cases, lenses, tripods, filters and film.
- Silver and silver plated items.
- Medals and Militaria.
- Pre-decimal and foreign currency (pre euro).
- Old toys and games.
- Old writing instruments.
- Cigarette cases, cigar cutters vintage lighters and tobacco tins.



For more information, including a full list of items that you can donate and for details of how you can send your items, free of charge, visit www.vintagegiving.com/en/springhillhospice

If you have any questions, or you require any further information, please contact the Hospice on 01706 649920.



Springhill's Sunflower Appeal

This summer sees the return of our much loved Springhill Sunflower Appeal. Synonymous with Hospice care, what better flower than the Sunflower to shine a light on those special memories and help keep them radiant and bright. Our Sunflower Appeal allows you to celebrate the wonderful memories of those you love, and those you have lost; of happy times, past and present.

With the outbreak of the Coronavirus, our 2020 Sunflower Appeal might look a little different to previous years, but Springhill would still like to bring some sunshine during these challenging times.

We want our 2020 event to be brighter than ever before. You can help by making a donation to Springhill in return for your personalised sunflower dedication plaque which you can display in your own garden, or somewhere special to you this summer.

Join in with your family, friends, neighbours and colleagues to spread a little piece of summer, throughout the borough. The importance of our Sunflower Appeal this year will be knowing that your wonderful donation, will provide our patients and their families with the gift of choice about how and where they are cared for. You are helping to "make every moment count", at a time it is needed the most.

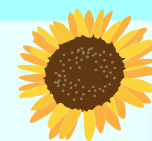
Right now your support is more important than ever as we work together to ensure Springhill can continue to provide the highest quality of care. Join in, plant your sunflower plaque, and send us a photo so we can see 'Springhill's Sunflower' spirit spread across our borough.

You can be a part of our sunflower community by visiting www.springhill.org.uk/sunflower-appeal completing your dedication and making a kind donation to Springhill.

Alternatively, If the internet is not for you, don't worry, Please contact **01706 641790** and a member of our Fundraising Team can process your dedication and take payment over the phone for you. If preferred, you can ask for a paper copy of our Sunflower Appeal leaflet to be sent to your home address for you to post back to us.



Michelle's Story

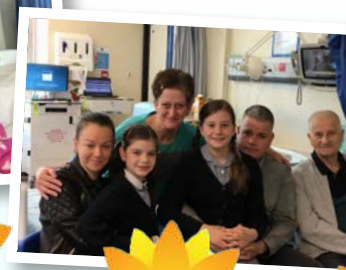
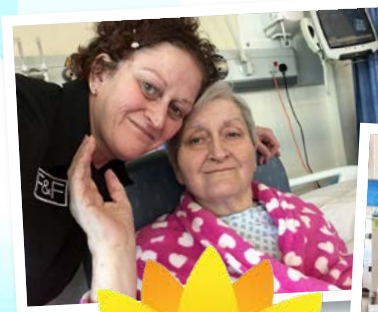


My story began in June 2017, when my Mum, Carol Anne Faust came to Springhill Hospice to have some peace and dignity in what was to be the last few days of her life.

"As a family we chose Springhill as Mum had enjoyed many a year selling her handmade cards at the fairs there, so we knew how beautiful a place it was. We were treated outstandingly, with care and compassion from everyone. The doctors and nurses were absolutely amazing and the attention she got was so heart-warming. I feel very privileged to have had help from Springhill. Their kindness through the most horrendous time of our lives and the opportunity to sleep on a bed next to Mum, gave me the chance to feel a closeness that nobody can ever take away from me. One nurse in particular, Hilda, went above and beyond. She offered to go and collect my Dad from Littleborough at the end of her shift, so that, as a family, we could say our goodbyes together. We could never thank her enough for that.

"Ten months later I spotted a retail job with the Hospice based at the Emporium, I had to apply - it was a sign from my Mum. Soon after, my Dad became ill with heart and kidney failure and vascular dementia. Fourteen months after losing Mum, my Dad also spent his last couple of days being cared for at Springhill. I try and support Springhill as much as I can, and I always will do. It's my way of saying thank you for the way we were looked after.

"The Sunflower Appeal is especially dear to me. The yellow sunflowers make me smile and brighten up even the greyest of days. When I'm missing Mum and Dad my sunflower plaques give me hope and comfort, and I know their love is still around me. Each year I take my Sunflower plaque home, and I will always treasure them. I am very proud to say that I work for Springhill, I love my job and what it stands for. I would encourage anyone to participate in the Sunflower Appeal, as every penny raised helps towards the running of the most amazing place in the world. They truly do have angels working there!"



For more information, please visit our website at www.springhill.org.uk/sunflower-appeal or call our Fundraising Team on **01706 641790**

Springhill's inaugural Corporate Challenge raises over **£27,000!**



Back in August 2019 we launched our first ever Corporate Challenge and our supporters did not disappoint!

To mark the Hospice's 30th anniversary, local businesses were asked to take part in the challenge by using a £30 'loan' from Springhill to get creative and generate as much money as possible for the Hospice. We were overwhelmed with the support we received and more than impressed with the wild and wacky fundraising ideas teams came up with! Events included; Afternoon Tea, Gin and Prosecco Night, quizzes, Halloween Party, walks, runs and static cycles!

The challenge concluded with a celebratory presentation held as part of the Business Buddies Big Breakfast in November for all who took part and **BES Ltd** were crowned the winners of the challenge, raising a magnificent **£6,152.90**.

In total, an amazing **£27,490** was raised by the 13 corporate teams that took part. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who helped raise money for the Hospice by taking part in the challenge, your hard work and support is helping to provide vital care at Springhill.

Would you like to get involved in our next Corporate Challenge? Register your interest today for our Corporate Challenge 2021! Or, if you're a business who wants to get involved with Springhill Hospice but you want to do something different to our Corporate Challenge get in touch with our Fundraising Team, to discuss your support today by emailing fundraising@springhill.org.uk or calling **01706 641790**

Charity of the Year

Your Charity of the Year partnership with us will make a difference for many years to come.

You, our supporters, make it possible for us to provide such a wonderful service to our patients and their families. The ways in which you support us are so varied and one of those ways is by making Springhill your workplace or group's Charity of the Year.

Choosing Springhill as your Charity of the Year is a great way to get colleagues or members engaged in a project and involved in fundraising. No matter how big your workplace, team or group is there are so many ways you can help:

- ★ Donate a day's profits.
- ★ Raise funds for a specific Hospice project.
- ★ Encourage team members to take part in our fundraising events.
- ★ Organise a team-building fundraising event.
- ★ Encourage your staff to donate using our Payroll Giving Scheme.
- ★ Create a Match Funding Scheme for any money they raise for the Hospice.
- ★ Encourage team members to sign up for the Springhill Hospice Lottery.
- ★ Have a clear out and do a donation drive – donate raffle prizes or unwanted items for our shops.



One local company who chose Springhill as their Charity of the Year In 2019, was the team at **McCormick, Littleborough**.

They kick started with a donation from the business. They also competed in the Springhill Corporate Challenge, which included a hotdog sale and weekly sweepstake and they finished off the challenge with a massive raffle at Christmas! In total the team raised a magnificent **£7,810** from their 2019 Charity of the Year fundraising efforts..



We are pleased to announce that McCormick have chosen Springhill as their Charity of The Year for a second year!

A huge thank you to all the staff at McCormick for your continued support!

If you choose Springhill as your Charity of the Year our Fundraisers will be on hand to engage with your team and give you all the support you need when fundraising for the Hospice.

If you are looking for a charity to support either for the next calendar year, financial year or starting today! You can contact our Fundraising Team by calling **01706 641790** or email fundraising@springhill.org.uk for more information.



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Meet some of our Volunteers



Jenna Saville

Fundraising Team

- **How long have you been volunteering at the Hospice?** Since November 2019.
- **What is your role and what do you do when you volunteer?** I assist the Fundraising Office with providing support with various tasks.
- **Why did you choose to volunteer at Springhill?** My (Great) Uncle and Auntie have done so much for the Hospice over the years, so when the company I work for said we could volunteer for a charity of our choice one day a month, I knew instantly who I would choose. It is such an amazing charity, that manages to bring so much positivity to the people in their care.
- **What do you enjoy most about volunteering for the Hospice and with the Fundraising Team?** I love working with the girls in the Fundraising Team. They are such lovely, genuine people, and I can see that Springhill means the world to them.
- **Why do you like volunteering at Springhill?** It feels very rewarding to volunteer. I always leave the office with a smile on my face. Knowing that I have helped the girls in the Fundraising Team, and also helped the Hospice.
- **Would you encourage others to volunteer at the Hospice?** Definitely! Volunteering for Springhill Hospice is such a lovely experience. I only volunteer one day a month, but I wish I could help more. I will aim to attend as many events as I can to continue my support.

Anne Fitton

Creative Therapy

- **When did you start volunteering at the Hospice?** It was about 8 or 9 years ago, so almost a decade now actually.
- **What led to you being a volunteer at the Hospice?** Well being retired I thought that I needed to go out and find something to do. The first thing I did after I retired was actually go to college and do a foundation art course so I wanted to find something artistic I could do.
- **So you've always been a creative therapy volunteer?** Yes. Since I've been here it has involved doing many things such as making cards, painting and weaving so all sorts of things. I've helped organise three Art Exhibitions since being at the Hospice.
- **Why do you like being a volunteer?** Well I love socialising so it's great to go out for the day and speak to all the people that come to Springhill Hospice. I always have people coming up to me telling me how great it is that I've given my time to be a volunteer but in fact its more of a pleasure for me since I have a great time speaking to everyone here.

Brenda Norledge

Reception

- **When did you start volunteering at the Hospice?** I first became a volunteer back in 2003 so almost 17 years ago.
- **What was it that inspired you to become a volunteer?** I was helping out with something that was called Community Service Volunteers and the Volunteer Coordinator came to a few of us and asked to speak to whoever was in charge of the volunteering section. I asked what kind of volunteering jobs they had at the Hospice and went to have a look around to see what I'd be doing as a volunteer and after seeing what it involved I thought I'd go for it. At the time I was retired and was looking for something to do with all the time that I had.
- **Have you always been a volunteer working on reception at Springhill or have you done any other roles at the Hospice?** I've always worked on reception but that was what I originally signed up to do when I was approached to become a volunteer, so I was happy with that. This way I'm welcoming everyone who comes into the Hospice and being a friendly face for them to speak to. I like to be there to help them in case anyone is upset and just be an extra helping hand whilst I'm sat at reception.
- **What do you like about being a volunteer at the Hospice?** You get that feeling of being useful. I lost my mother to cancer many years ago and I just wish there was something like the Hospice back then, so it's nice to be helping people.



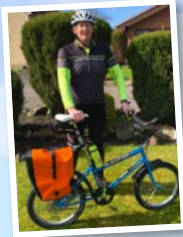
Julie Illsley

Day Hospice

- **When did you start volunteering at the Hospice?** I started volunteering for the Hospice in May 2018.
- **What inspired you to become a volunteer at the Hospice?** I knew two other people who were volunteering at the Hospice and I was looking for something to do. They said why don't you apply to be a volunteer at the Hospice and after I applied I was lucky enough to start volunteering in the Day Hospice.
- **Have you worked in healthcare before?** No. I worked in accountancy before becoming a volunteer at the Hospice. The work I'm now doing in the Day Hospice is very enjoyable, it's very different to what I have been used to doing.
- **What does your role as volunteer in Day Hospice entail?** I'm there when patients arrive to take their coats and make them a cup of tea. Then it involves support throughout the day; helping the nurses set up for lunch and being part of any activities that are going on in the afternoon.
- **What do you enjoy about volunteering at the Hospice?** I think it is so far removed from what I did before. At the beginning I didn't think I would enjoy it but it feels like I'm getting something back. I'm able-bodied and I have the time to help, so I am able to spend my time giving something to somebody, I can do that at the Hospice.

THANK YOU!

Your support and kindness never fails to amaze us! We would like to thank every single one of our community fundraisers past and present for all their efforts, particularly in these testing times. Here are their stories and how you can support them.



Andrew Pilling

Cycling from Lands End to John O'Groats on a 1970's Raleigh Gritter

As a keen cyclist all my life, I decided I would try and raise some money through a sponsored ride of some kind. I have also enjoyed refurbishing

old cars and motorcycles and the occasional old Raleigh cycle, mainly because Raleigh bikes were part of my childhood. So I decided I would ride the iconic Lands End to John O' Groats, UK end to end, on a Raleigh Gritter kids bike that I've restored.

My Dad was given such wonderful care by amazing professionals and kind volunteers. We were comforted by this and received similar care and consideration in circumstances where it is hard to imagine it possible. It was all so sensitive and respectful. I learned that Springhill relies heavily on donations and charity fundraising to continue this amazing work. I hope this venture will capture people's imagination and encourage donations to Springhill Hospice in my Dad's memory.

The little Gritter will be loaded up with everything I need for the approximate 1000 mile trip. It will take roughly between 14 and 17 days. There will be no back up vehicle or nice guest houses as I am doing it unsupported and using a one person tent. I had planned to start pedalling northward mid-May but that's going to have to wait until we can all start travelling again. That's OK – John O'Groats will still be there and I'm determined to support Springhill.

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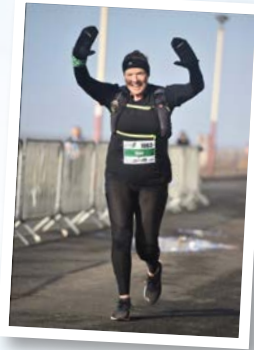
Amanda Chadwick

Corona Collection

My husband, Andrew, pictured here with our children, was cared for and died at Springhill in 2013. After the lockdown was announced all I could think of was how amazing it was, everyone supporting everyone, but obviously the Hospice wasn't necessarily at the forefront of people's minds. Understandably so. I knew a little kind reminder would touch the hearts of those who have donated and I just can't bear the thought of the Hospice's funds being depleted.

A fantastic £3,397.50 (including Gift Aid) has been raised so far and I hope we can still raise more.

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Clair Jacques

Running the London Marathon

I raised almost £1,000 in 2014 and £1,500 in 2017 for Springhill and yes, I'm 'at it' again! So this year I applied for The London Marathon for the 5th consecutive year and finally secured a ballot place. As this is such a mammoth challenge and such a special event, I feel I have to do it for Springhill because of how special a place it is and the wonderful care they were able to give my Grandad.

All I had run so far is 10K and it almost killed me! I've gone from being someone who wouldn't even run for a bus to doing the Blackpool Half Marathon, the day when Storm Dennis descended on us! It was hard enough to stay on our feet, let alone run! I'm going to have to wait till April 2021 to realise my dream, with London now in October, but it clashed with the Rochdale Half Marathon! This way I can do both! I'm looking forward to running proudly to support Springhill.

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Chris Mason

Running this year's Manchester Marathon

I will be running the Manchester Marathon, now on 11th October 2020, raising important funds for Springhill Hospice in memory of my Brother-in-law, Tom Makin. Springhill Hospice is very close to my and my extended family's, hearts, after helping support Tom and his family in his final months and up until his passing. Following an eight year battle with Osteosarcoma (bone cancer), he was taken from us at only 29 years of age.

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THANK YOU to the wonderful Middleton Calendar Group 'Old Midd, Nude Midd' who have worked to put together their very own take on the Calendar Girls (and Guys) to raise £1,900 each for Springhill Hospice and Dr Kershaws. And thank you to all the Middleton based businesses for 'getting behind' this adventurous project for the volunteer models.

Peter Mulligan

Goes for the shave

Springhill Hospice looked after my Dad, Peter Snr, in 2018 and my Uncle Dennis in 2012, so we do as much as we can to support them. Obviously, this year their fundraising has been majorly affected, and I came up with this mad idea, because no-one can get their hair cut, of the Head Shave challenge that we could all do at home. Donate £10, the cost of a haircut, get everyone to donate and then pass the Challenge on. I kicked it off with a Facebook Live where the clippers came out and I had the first skinhead of my life. In the end we raised a brilliant £1,905, with mates like Terry Leach and Joe Lomax adding hundreds of pounds to it with their own challenges. Feels good to be of help.

In March, Joe Lomax and Lee Norris lost their much loved Nan, Marjorie Norris, who passed away at the Hospice. Wanting to give something back, they went to great lengths to support Springhill while staying at home. Joe's successful Head Shave Challenge raised £300. Lee's Beautician partner Toni-lea had a great new idea and Lee's full body wax resulted in an eye watering total of £890. Thanks gentlemen for giving your all!



THANK YOU to the team at Lloyd's Pharmacy based at Argyle Parade in Heywood who in the run-up to Christmas held a series of raffles and prize draws. Close family members of the staff there had been cared for by the Hospice. The strength of support from the local community was incredible and together they raised £3,807.



THANK YOU to Royton Roadrunners who nominated Springhill Hospice as their Charity of the Year in 2019. Members of the club have been personally touched by the support of the doctors and nurses looking after their much missed members Jenny and Bernadette. Their annual Santa Run raised £847.

Business Buddies

Working together to enhance our community



Our Business Buddies scheme continues to thrive thanks to the support of local businesses. During the challenging times faced by all during the Coronavirus pandemic the support from our Business Buddies is more crucial than ever. As a local business owner you might be thinking about the challenges that face you at present and over the coming months.

Springhill's Business Buddies scheme offers you an established platform to expand your business contacts within the local community and allows you to champion your support for your local Hospice. With regular breakfast meetings, Business Buddies allows you, as a local business, to develop, nurture and grow fantastic connections through the community.

There are lots of other benefits for businesses benefits for businesses joining the scheme;

- Your logo and a link to your webpage on the Business Buddies section of our website.
- A framed certificate of membership for you to proudly display in your office.
- Features and promotion through Hospice publications and social media showcasing your support of Springhill, helping you to build your business brand in the local community.

- Regular Business Buddies networking events giving you the opportunity to make new contacts, explore opportunities for business and engage with like-minded people.
- Building your business brand in the local community.
- Explore opportunities and contacts for business and engage with like-minded people.
- Business Buddies will also help you to embrace your commitment to reaching and expanding your Corporate Social Responsibility objectives by contributing to the community of the Borough, bringing financial benefits to and helping raise the profile of Springhill Hospice.

All these benefits are available for as little as 99p per day!

If you would like to discuss how we can work together, and see your business becoming a part of the Business Buddies community you can call Springhill's Corporate and Partnerships Fundraiser on 01706 641790 or email springhillbb@nhs.net

In conversation with PDS

We recently spoke to one of our Business Buddies members, PDS, a door and window company based in Rochdale. Tim Fairley, Managing Director of PDS talked about their involvement with Springhill's Business Buddies scheme.

When did you become a member of Business Buddies? Originally back in 2015, but then we sold the business to an American corporate. They let it lapse. We bought the business back off them exactly one year ago and rekindled the relationship late last year.

Why do you choose to support the Hospice? As a business I firmly believe we have to be socially responsible and give something back to the local community. It's important to support an incredible charity like Springhill and also

raise our profile in the local community as an employer with a conscience.

What do you feel is the most beneficial part of being a member of Business Buddies? Just to say locally that we are supporters and to make sure other businesses see that and appreciate us for being involved.

What would you say to any business who were thinking about joining Business Buddies? Just do it! It's an easy and inexpensive partnership which offers the chance to network with other like minded businesses

if that's what you want to do. I believe there's far more credibility in partnering with a charity that gives so much to the local community than a more faceless national organisation.



Thank you to all of our Business Buddies

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We've taken this opportunity to review the offerings across our shops. We have invested in new tills and card payment terminals making your shopping experience with us more flexible and allowing us to maximise Gift Aid on your donations, meaning your support goes further.

Your donations make a difference

With so many people staying at home, what better time to have a spring clean and get together donations of your unwanted items to help the Hospice raise vital funds for our patients and families.

You can visit our website for more information on the items that we can and cannot accept springhill.org.uk/donating-to-our-shops

Once we reopen you can drop your donated items at any of our charity shops.

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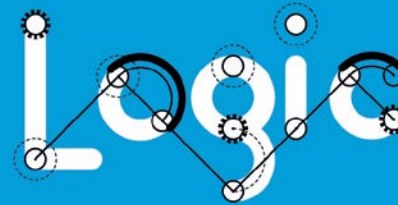
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When writing your Will, securing the future of your family and friends is a priority and we understand that. Once you've provided for your loved ones, thinking about the Hospice can make a real difference to those who may need Springhill in the future.

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Last year, the generosity of supporters who left gifts in their Wills provided 100 days of care at Springhill Hospice - leaving a gift in your Will can make such a difference to so many lives.



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Thanks to your support, Hospice pots are filled with small change that adds up to big amounts. Between April 2019 – March 2020, our silver collecting pots have raised a fantastic **£19,327** for patient care.

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who takes the time to drop their change into our pots. We would also like to take this opportunity to give our fantastic volunteer collecting pot team a shout out for giving up their time to distribute, collect and organise our

pots across Rochdale to make sure that Springhill has the support to provide the best care possible.

A big thank you, well done and congratulations on this achievement to Brian Wilkinson, Jim Wardle, Gail Shaw, and Karen Beckwith for all of your help!



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Facebook Fundraisers make it easy to create a dedicated page to tell your story, set your target, and share with your friends and family so they can make a donation without even having to leave Facebook!

Here's how you can set up your own Facebook Fundraiser:

- 1) Log into your Facebook account.
- 2) Click the  button in the left menu of your News Feed.
- 3) Click Raise Money.
- 4) Select Charity then search and select Springhill Hospice.
- 5) Personalise your fundraiser with your fundraising target, your story and lots of photos.
- 6) Click Create to launch your Facebook Fundraiser and start sharing to spread the word.
- 8) Facebook will securely send us all of your donations.



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In March and April 2020 our fabulous supporters raised an amazing **£10,116.43** through Facebook Fundraisers – thank you to each and every one of you, your support has helped to provide care and treatment in the Hospice and out in the community.

Every donation, however small or large helps to make every moment count for patients and their families at Springhill.

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Springhill Hospice Calendar



Our 2020 Springhill Hospice year is certainly turning out to be a unique one in many aspects. This year, our Fundraising Team is still working hard on producing our very popular annual Hospice Calendar, as we know you love to display these in your own homes and businesses.

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our calendar competition over the past eight months. We love hearing from you and seeing the images you have captured throughout the four seasons. We had a fantastic response to our 2021 calendar photo competition with a wonderful selection of entries. It really does prove that Rochdale has some beautiful landscapes and buildings.

The Springhill Calendar contains 13 winning photographs which reflect the Rochdale borough and show the talents of our competition winners.

Springhill Hospice's 2021 Calendar will be on sale from September. You will be able to get your hands on this stunning calendar for only £4. What a bargain! Your purchase also comes with the satisfaction that you are supporting your local community at a time when Rochdale families need patient care more than ever. More details about how to purchase your 2021 Calendar can be found in the next edition of our Newsletter.

If you're eager to get your hands on a copy, you can order your copy of Springhill's 2021 Calendar from September by visiting www.springhill.org.uk/products or calling the Fundraising Office on 01706 641790.

Keep your eyes open for further updates as we release more details and unveil the winning designs featured in the Hospice Calendar on our social media sites.

From September, our Christmas Cards and Diaries will be available to buy on our website and in our shops*.

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Did you know that each week, you could be in with a chance of winning up to £1,000 with Springhill's Lottery?

Whilst other areas of our fundraising are being affected by the impacts of Coronavirus, the Hospice Lottery is an easy way you can continue to support Springhill from the comfort and safety of your own home.

Our Lottery not only gives you the chance to win, but it also supports Hospice care, making a real difference to the local families who are in need of our help and support.

You can play the Springhill Hospice Lottery for just £1 a week. Each week there are 17 cash prizes to be won, including a top prize of £1,000 each week and the chance to win the rollover jackpot prize which can reach £10,000!

Players of the Springhill Hospice Lottery are also automatically entered into two Super Draws throughout the year with the chance to win a top prize fund of £5,000 in each draw.

Our next Super Draw will take place on the 21st August. For your chance to be in with winning £5,000 all you have to do is join in! You can find information below about how to join the Springhill Lottery.

JOIN OUR LOTTERY TODAY!

You can join the Springhill Lottery today to be in with a chance to win. To become a Lottery player, and support Hospice care visit www.springhill.org.uk/hospice-lottery or call our Lottery Office on **01706 631 013**.



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You can make your Wedding Day extra special by giving the gift of care with Springhill's wedding favours. We have a range of wedding favours, starting from just £1. Our favours include a backing card, which can be personalised to suit your wedding theme, with a range of Springhill Hospice pin badges to choose from. We can also create personalised thank you cards, or Lottery tickets giving your guests the chance to win up to £1,000.

We can provide you with donation envelopes, collection tins or help you set up an online donations page.

At Springhill we strive to make every moment count for our patients. You can share the celebration of your special day with a selfless gift which could help create an equally special day for patients and families here at Springhill.

Donations in lieu of wedding gifts

As you prepare to tie the knot and make plans for the big day, your guests will be considering what to give the newlyweds on your special day. If you've already got everything you could wish for and want to avoid the endless bottles of fizz, why not ask for donations to your local Hospice instead of gifts?



For more information please visit www.springhill.org.uk/wedding-favours If you or someone you know is looking for the perfect finishing touches for the big day, contact our Fundraising Team on **01706 641790** or email fundraising@springhill.org.uk



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